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STIRIT OF THE MORNING PRESS The Intelligencer says of Col. Benton's including a scena between the Secretary of Pacific Railroad scheme

"We give up a large portion of our columns against and the latter for the claim, and throw to-day to the lecture of Col. Benton on the in gratuitously an opinion of the Attorney subject of the contemplated Pacific Railroad. Every thing which a vigorous mind and a well stored memory can bring to bear upon the subject has been presented in this discourse, and the impression which it has made in the Northern cities shows that the importance of the measure has been exhibited with graphic pewer. Already some of the more prominent that he had a valid right, being by law an and sagacious business men have given the project their favor, and afforded the best test of their approval by a tender of material aid. A matter of such magnitude well deserves all the light which scientific and practical mea can shed upon it; and whether the project recaive aid from the Government or be left to in dividual enterprise, it equally deserves full and careful consideration.

The Union contains a manly and truthful exposition of all the facts with reference to Mr. Nicholsen's claim, &c., as public printer, to the extra compensation payable to the other officers of Congress under their extra pay resolution. We regret that we are to-day without space in which to place this article before our readers. It, however, substantial himself, he saw no reason for so submitting it. ly bears out what we say in another column on the subject The Union also argues strongly against Know Nothingism, and criti- wise on the subject; and the President knowcises the last news from the seat of war.

Thirty-six women of Otsego, Allegan county, Michigan, last week formed themselves into a party, armed themselves with hatchets and pickaxes, and marched in a body to the hotel of the place and the places where liquors were sold, and made a complete wreck of the decanters and demijohns, and other liquor utensils. In one or two instances they rolled barrels containing liquor into the streets, and there broke them open and let the liquor flow loose.

The editors of the Wheeling Intelligen cer have found it necessary to offer a reward for the apprehension of persons stealing their paper from the doors of subscribers. We fear that we shall be compelled to do the same thing. Those who steal newspapers deserve punishment as much as persons who steal any-

PERSONAL. A Know Nothing paper, in speaking of

Gen. Houston's baptism, says-"We have never doubted of den. Houston's election and final salvation, 'through sanctifi cation and belief of the truth."

....Judges Todd, Hancock and Morris, et Texas, have declared that the liquor law of that State is constitutional, but that the penalty for the violation of the provisions of the license attaches to him who grants it and not to him who sells the liquor.

.... The Portland (Maine) Inquirer announces "upon reliable authority," that the widow of the Rev. Charles T. Torrey is the author of the popular novel "Ida May," which some critics have erroneously attributed to Mrs Beecher Stowe Mr. Torrey, it will be remembered, died in prison at Baltimore, Md., where he had been committed on the charge of kidnapping slaves. According to our Portland contemporary, Mrs. Torrey's maiden name was Mary Ide, daughter of Dr. Ide, of Medway, Mass. She names her liter ary offspring Ida May, after herself, with a

E Some one writing from Washington to the Boston Post says:

Colonel Benton has reached Washington, from his recent visit to New England, in fine Pacific railroad in my trunk, sir! my trunk. The solid men of Boston have taken it in hand, sir! Abbott Lawrence, sir! Abbott Lawrence—a man of great wealth, sir—a man of great wealth-has authorised me to use his name, sir! Lawrence may have more money than knowledge, sir; but he has the cash, the cash, sir! I am like Peter the hermit, sir Peter the hermit! He preached the crusades, sir-I the Pacific Railroad, sir ! Solitary and alone, sir, I am setting this Pacific Railroad in motion, sir!"

.... Mr. Paumier, an actor of some local eminence in Ireland, one night recently, at the Belfast Theatre, spat in the face of and struck the Hon. Arthur Annesley, of the 92d, and some other officers, who, Mr. Paumier thought, were insulting him.

.... Miss Phebe Knewles, "late waiting maid to Miss Susan Denin," has taken to the stage, and is playing with great success at Os-

.... Madame Bishop has been playing "Fra the Metropolitan Theatre, San Francisco. Neither of them get much praise from the

.... Among the arrivals by the Atlantic from Liverpool, was Hon. J. R. Thompson, of New Jersey. Senator Thompson has been spending a few months in Europe, accompanied by his wife. He returns to take his position in the U. S. Senate.

.... A western editor thinks that Hiram Powers, the sculptor, is a swindler, because he

block of marble. One hundred guns were fired at Madison (Indiana) in honor of the election of Jesse D. Bright to the Presidency of the Sen-

.... A writer in the Alexandria Gazette, the signature of " Head him or die," urges the nomination of Messrs. Botts, Caperten and Baldwin, by a Whig Convention.

....Jacob M. Portridge, long an apprentice in the office of the Norfolk Beacon, has become an assistant editor of that paper.

.... Samuel D. Scoville, the defaulting officer of the Marine Bank Agency, of Macon, Ga. aas, it is said, made a full confession of delinquency, and manifests a proper spirit of resignation to the fate that awaits him. Gam-

bling victimized Scoville, as it has done plenty of others. Miss Bunkley's reply to the Lady Superior of Emmittsburg, will be published in book form. Miss B. is a young lady of about 25 years of age, good looking but not handsome, and possessed of mediocrity of talent, and of most respectabl parentage. No

doubt her book will create quite a stir.

WASHINGTON NEWS AND GOSSIP. The Roorback of the Season, -Really, were mere contradictions of the astonishing Washmongering press. The "chiefest" of these stories we do contradict, when they fall under our netice, as their contradiction through the Star is due to the public who have so unani mously awarded us praise for the fidelity with which we devote our columns to the promulgation of truth only from this city The last, previous, great, and evidently malicious, false hood of that sort, which found its way before the public's eye, was the Herald's story of an intrigue between Messrs. Buchanan, Cushing. and Forney against Secretary Marcy, than from beginning to end, never saw the light in any country, however licentions its press may have been-there being not the slightest foundation for any one of its many particularizations. The very last, however, is the effort of the people of the ex-Rev. Chauncey Burr, to create the impression that there is s mare's nest in the claim of the public printer to twenty per centum extra compensation voted at the last session to the employees of Congress. To do so, they imagine a variety of things which have had no existence in fact, the Treasury and the President, the former

in question, all of which is without the least foundation. Now the whole truth of the matter is as follows, to wit: The Public Printer conceived officer of the House to the twenty per centum extra compensation. He presented the claim to the Secretary of the Treasury, who regarded his job for the Government in the light of a special contract, and therefore, as not coming under the twenty per centum extra compensation law, he rejected it. The printer, in the bellef that his rights were, under the law as he had argued them to be, urged that the Secretary would submit the legal question involved to the Attorney General. That officer declined doing so on the ground that in his mind there was not the slightest difficulty involved in the question, and that, not doubting There the matter ended, the Attorney General never having given an opinion, verbal or othering as little about the affair, perhaps, as the man in the moon, and never having opened his lips upon it, it not being his province so to do unless on such special application for his interference as was not dreamed of, in this

General in favor of the payment of the claim

We have carefully asscertained all these facts, only by way of illustrating to our readers the foolish extremes to which the writers in Washington for the distant press go, in their the opinions of croakers. I then took occaefforts to sapply the place of news with roorbacks, in the remarkable dearth of real news now afflicting us in Washington.

By the way, as apropos to this subject, we may not inappropriately add that before the resolution to give 20 per centum extra compen sation to the officers of the House was passed the public printer addressed to the joint printing committee a letter, setting forth that his rates of compen sation were too low, and also that it is known here that he was induced not with all securities which do not declare reguto pursue the subject with them, by assurances given him by a member of that committee, immediately on the passage of the resolution in question, that it covered his case, and therefore rendered further movement on his part

Decision upon a Land Claim.—An Alabama case was recently decided at the General Land Office, involving important principles. An imperfect Spanish title had been confirmed by an act of Congress in 1822. No survey of it had been executed under the Spanish Government. It therefore became necessary for this Government, according to the principles of justice and the spirit of the treaty, to satisfy the claim; and the principle observed was to give the United States survey a square form, placing the ancient improvements as near the center as possible. Before the United States location and survey were made, a certain half quarter section of land was entered, it not ap pearing as "reserved lands" on the public plats. Afterwards, the United States survey of the Spanish claim was made, embracing this half quarter. It was held that the sale spirits. He talks in this wise :- "I have the should be patented, for the reason that the Spanish location could not be made to the prejudice of the settler. But the grant to the latter was o framed as not to preclude a judicial investigation into, and decision upon, the rights of the respective parties.

Real Progress .- There is at this time, in this city, a delegation of the Wyandot tribe of Indians, in Kansas, consisting of five persons, viz: Tauroomee, (principal chief of the tribe.) Mathew Mud-Eater, John Hicks, Silas Armstrong, George J. Clark, and Joel Walker. They come to make an arrangement with the Government by which their lands in Kansas. now held by them in common, shall be divided out among them in fee as the whites own lands. Many of them are now sufficiently advanced to cultivate them to advantage when so sublintends to act independently. divided out. This morning they had their Diavola" to the "Zerlina" of Mrs. Sinclair, at first interview with the head of the Indian

Aspirants for the Clerkship of the Next House of Representatives .- We hear that Nathan Sargeant, Esq., well known, formerly. as a Washington correspondent for the distant press, and subsequently Recorder of the General Land Office, has addressed a circular let ter to many members elect to the next Congress, announcing that he is a candidate for chiseled an unfortunate Greek girl out of a the clerkship. We hear, also, that Robert Beale, Esq, of this city, late Sergeant-at-Arms of the United States Senate, has announced himself as a candidate.

> Daniel E. Sickels, Esq.-We understand on authority which we have reason to regard reliable, that the return of Mr. Sickles to New York by the last steamer was preceded way to greet his excellency, the President, by his resignation, which was tendered to Mr. Buchanan; and that he left his post of Secretary of the American Legation in London, bringing with him the warmest regards of our Minister there.

The River and Harbor Bill Message .- Today a Special Executive Message upon the subject of the improvement of Rivers and Harbors by the General Government went in It was not, however, read before we go to press. The general impression is that when read, i will be found to be a very powerful defence of mark of the strict constructionists

Office.-R. T. Morsell promoted to a \$1,600 we so disposed, we might fill the Star with salary in place of Rev. Charles A. Davis, resigned. J. G. Todd promoted to a \$1,400 in ington "yarns" which are daily seeing the place of Morsell. Chas. E. Davis appointed to light through the columns of the wonder- a first class clerkship, (salary \$1,200,) to fill the vacancy created by his father's resignation. Rev. R. R. Rishards, a \$1,400 clerk in the General Land Office, transferred to the Pension Office at the same salary.

An Army Officer Resigned -We hear that First Lieutenant Johnson K. Duncan, of the 3d artillery, U. S. A., has tendered his resignation to the Secretary of War.

The Current Operations of the Treasury Department .- on yesterday, the 1st of Jan mere were of Treasery Warrants entered on which a more infamously false concoction, the books of the Department-

For the redemption of stock..... \$25,034 00 For paying other Treasury debts. 59,093 82 For covering into the Treasury from Lands 265,524 24

For covering into the Treasury from customs..., 685,908 For the War Department..... 38,314 21

CONGRESSIONAL.

In the Senate, to day, after the reception and reference of reports of committees and petitions, they took up the bill of Senator Brodhead, granting bounty lands to the Officers and Soldiers and the Widows of Officers Messrs. Brodhead and Stuart.

House.-Mr. Straub asked leave to offer a resolution granting to the officers and soldiers of 1812 the use of the House hall in which to hold their approaching convention; but objection being made, leave was not granted. On motion of Mr. Latham, the House adop-

ted a resolution calling on the Postmaster General for information with reference to the conditional contract some years since made with Ramsey, Carnack & Cc, for the transportation of the mails between New Orleans and San Francisco, via Vers Cruz and Aca-The regular order of business being next

called for, the bill of Mr. Cobb to amend the lands graduation law of the last session, so as to prevent frauds under it, was taken up, and its provisions and sundry amendments thereto. reported by Mr. Cobb from the Public Lands Committee, were debated by Messrs. Tobb and Dowdell before we went to press.

BALTIMORE CORRESPONDENCE.

The New Year-Visiting, &c.-Baltimore and Ohio Railroad will pay its Notes-Difficulty Amongst the Railroad Employees-Nearly a Riot-Trouble in the Know Nothing Wigwam, &c.

BALTIMORE, January 1, 1855. The new year came upor us to-day with a bright sun and genial atmosphere. Business as partially suspended. The excellent oustom of making calls, renewing acquaintances, &c., was observed by a large number. It has been, altogether, quite a happy day.

I gave you, in my letter of Friday last, some apprehensions in regard to the inability of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad to pay its notes, amounting to about \$400,000, falling due on the 1st and 4th instant. These, however, were sion to express my own confidence in the en tire solvency of the company, and its ability to meet all the dues and demands. I now have the pleasure of stating that arrangements Provisions and Guager of Spirituous Liquorswere made to-day by which the finance committee will be enabled, promptly, to meet their obligations. Several wealthy private citizens. and some of the banks, came forward and tor-Wm. Jewell; Weigher of Hay-J. Clars; generously proffered the required sum. This Assessors-Jos. L. Semmes, R. R. Sheekell, fact became known, and the stock advanced and Wm. Jewell; Board of Appeals on Assessabout \$5 per share from the closing cash price of Saturday. There will, however, he fluctuations for some time to come, as is the case lar dividends John S. Gittings, Esq., chairman of the finance committee, is a host in

I am told that riotous symptoms have been discovered amongst the workmen engaged on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, who are now on a strike. They are located in the region of the Oretis Depot whither the police have been sent to preserve order. Threats have been made to throw the tonnage trains off the track, disturb the rails, and other things appertain ing to the road This is all wrong, and I hope the very first symptoms of riot may be effec-tually checked. If workmen were sensible they would abandon this system of striking. It recoils against themselves, and in the end results to their direct disadvantage. The present hard times, want of employment and destitution-yes, idleness amongst mechanics and laborers may in a great measure be traced to their strikes some eighteen months ago. The thing is irresistibly clear.

The fine ship Pride of the Sea, reported by the Atlantic as having been destroyed by fire, was owned by Messrs. Hoope: & Sons, of this city. She was insured in London and New York for \$125,000

The very devil is to play amongst the Know Nothings. They are all up in arms against Mayor Hinks, who is found less pliant to party workings than was anticipated. The council is arrayed in deadly hostility against the executive. One appoints and the other disap points. Several nominations, including Brantz Mayer and J. S. Smith, intended commissioners in the McDonough bequest, have been re jected. The Mayor, I am told, is inexorable, and he designs sending up their names again The Clipper, of to-day, the party organ, comes out with an editorial, and almost repudiates his Honor. The man who suffers himself to be made Mayor of a city like this, need not expect to sleep on a bed of roses. He is beset on all sides with howling, hungry officeseekers, to satisfy whom would require some thing more than human. The rampant partizans assert that Mr. Hinks has become Tylerized, and they talk seriously of asking him to resign. So long as offices and office seeking are the aim and action of any party, it is bound to fall. There is a want of sincerity in all movements connected therewith which must fail of success.

The Mayor asserts that he did not ask for the nomination-did not seek the office-was elected by the independent voice of the peo-

Candidly speaking, I think he owes something to his party, and should respect it. He certainly was understood to be with those in sentiment, who solicited him to serve as a candidate. It is honest, therefore, to give them a partial hearing, which I have no doubt he will do. There is, however, trouble in the wigwam, and no mistake. The elements may possibly calm down in due time.

GEORGETOWN CORRESPONDENCE.

Georgetown, Jan. 2, 1855.

town. From early morn it was apparent that but few persons were disposed to enter upon the monotonous rounds of every day business Everything indicated that the day would be one of very general festivity. At an early hour there was a very general suspension of business, and while hundreds wended their way to greet his excellency, the President, of the day. Our fair weather Christians were large numbers of others visited Secretary Mc-Clelland and Mrs. Raphael Semmes, and others of our hospitable citizens, who kept open houses during the day for the reception of their friends. Friendship, harmony, and good | purchasers. feeling appeared to pervade all ranks, while the hospitality of many was unbounded.

The exhibition at the Methodist Protestant hall to a large and highly intelligent audience Church was attended by an immense concourse of persons. The occasion was one truly interesting indeed. The excellent selection of and Dr. Baird delivered the first lecture of his speeches, dialogues, duetts, &c , were gone course on "Russia and Turkey." Among through with by the little misses and masters other of his interesting remarks, the Sentinel in a style that elicited the praise of every notices that n regard to our common pronunmember of the large audience. Indeed, so ciation of the word "knout," which he says well were some of them executed that the the Russians call "ken-noot." little ones had to appear the second time to The Virginia Car Works have not yet rethe veto, holding grounds up to the highest satisfy their delighted hearers. The address sumed operations. It is to be hoped that the of Mr. Southerland, was also highly enter- suspension of business there will be but tem-

Clerical Changes in the General Land taining. The whole was under the management of Messrs. T. A. Newman, John T.

Bangs and Thos. Jewell. A most foul murder was committed at Drainsville, Fairfax county, Va., on Saturday last, while the slave hiring was going on The victim was a young man who had just reached his majority, who bore an excellent character, by the name of Henry Clay Sinclair, and his murderer is a fellow of a notorious bad character by the name of Robert Dickey. The facts, as far as we can gather them, are as follows: Dickey, it is supposed, had some grudge against Sinclair. He borrowed of him his knife, for the purpose, it is said, of disarming

greast, in the abdomen, groin, and arm, inflicting a number of frightful wounds, nearly all of which, it was supposed by physicians, was sufficient to cause the death of young Sinclair. During the fight young Sinclair gave no indications of having been stabbed. The first intimation the by standers had of it was, his falling dead on the ground, while engaged with Dickey. The murderer was arrested immediately, and so strong was the indignation against him, that a jury was impannelled immediately for the purpose of considering the matter-eleven of whom were in favor of giving him the benefit of Judge Lynch's code. For the Interior Department 25,617 73 The twelfth man being a magistrate, maintained the dignity of the law, and the villain after being kept all night in the room where the corps of his mangled victim lay, was next morning conveyed to Fairfax County Jail. At Forrest Hall, there was a perfect jam.

Every part of the spacious room was crowded lmost to suffocation to hear the justly popular Euterpeans Every piece sung was closed and Soldiers who served in the War of 1812: amid the joyous shouts and loud applause which was debated on various amendments by of the delighted auditory. One of the most interesting features of the occasion was the presentation to the Euterpeans of a handsome silver cup by their friends in Georgetown. The cup was presented by Miss Rainey, accompanied by five other young misses, all dressed in white, in the following neat and appropriate address: "Pray, "take this cup!" 'tis quite filled up

With grateful feelings rare; Your charming lays deserve our praise, Our blessings, and our prayers.

That sweet, soft voice conveys such joys, As seldom greets the year; Your magic strings, such music brings, As nowhere else we hear.

The trifle's small, we know it, all-Our honest hearts still feel The weight of debt we owe you yet, And may not now reveal

Oh, when you lift this little gift To sip the muse's strain, M ay it inspire poetic fire, To 'liven every brain.

May ease and health-abundant wealth-Long years to you be given To sing and play dull time away, "Till safely moored in Heayen." The cup was received by Mr. Alby, upon the

part of the Euterpeans, as follows : "Allow me, Miss, in behalf of the Euterpeans, to return you and our friends of Georgetown, our sincere thanks for this act of kindness shown us on this occasion. We have long beed disbanded as a traveling company; but still continue as a "Band of Brothers," and I assure you we fully appreciate this compliment, coming, as it does, from he twin sister of the place we shall ever take pleasure in re membering as the place of our nativity; and, in remembrance of the past, we will now sing 'O Give me a Home.'

Each of the Euterpeans were also presented with a handsome boquet.

The following is a list of the Corporation officers elected last night by a joint meeting of the two Boards of our Corporation : Recorder-R. Ould; Clerk-John Mounts; Flour Inspector-George Shoemaker: Inspector of Tobacco-P. W. Magruder; Inspector of Salted John Waters; Inspectors and Markers of Lumber-Charles Myers and W. H. Semmes; Clerk of Market-Samuel Smart; Tax Collecment-E. Lyons, E. Chapman, and H. C. Mathews; Guardians of the Georgetown School -Capt Thomas Brown, Geerge Shoemaker, Wm. McOsborn, Wm H. Tenny, Morris Adler, John Marbury, jr., and Henderson Suter; Surveyor-R. P. Dodge. Several offices et remain to be filled.

Flour is held at \$9 a \$9.25. Wheat-no sales since our last. A good article of either white or red would readily demand \$2.

ALEXANDRIA CORRESPONDENCE.

January Court -Odd-Fellowship-Reform Movement-Post Office - Death - Fire -Swiss Bell Ringers. ALEXANDRIA, Jan. 2, 1855.

The county court of this county commenced

its January term yesterday-present all the justices. Several applications for licenses to keep ordinaries were granted, and the court adjourned to meet to-day.

Potomac Lodge, No. 38, I. O. O. F., held its annual communication on Friday evening last, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing term : George W. Taylor, N. G.; Joseph W. Dudley, V. G.; Abel D. Warfield, S.; Edward S. Hough, P. S.; James Picken, A. P. S.; Hugh Latham, T. The order in this place is in a very flourishing con-

There is some talk of the propriety of a change in our corporation officers. The K N's, are said to be divided on the subjectsome going for an entire change, while some are favorable to keeping part of the present incumbents. Signs, however, indicate a crash of some kind at the spring elections. The amount collected at the Alexandria

post office for the quarter ending December 31, 1854, was two hundred and twenty-four dollars more than the quarter previous. Washington L Bodkin, one of our most ex-

emplary citizens, died on Friday morning. Mr. B. was a member of the City Councils. and was highly and deservedly esteemed and honored by the community.

A fire broke out on Friday morning last in the basement of Newton's Mansion House,

which threatened at one time to destroy the entire building. The firemen were promptly at the scene, and the fire speedily extinguished with but trifling loss. The Swiss Bell Ringers and the Peck Family open Washington Hall on Friday next.
The Young Men's Christian Association have

leased the upper room of the above-named building, and are fitting it up in a handsome for the purposes of the society. The Bank of the Old Dominion on yesterday

declared a dividend of four per cent. net, to the stockholders, payable on the 14th inst., for the last six months, after paying bonds and State tax.

New Year's Day - Car Works - County Court-Hiring Ground-Soiree. ALEXANDRIA, January 1, 1855.

New year's day! The new year greets us this morning with a smiling face. The chill wind of Saturday has lulled, leaving the at-Yesterday was truly a gala day in George- mosphere healthful and buoyant, whilst the genial sunshine tempering the coldness, gives everything a cheerful aspect. Our streets are already thronged with pedestrians, some making morning calls, but by far the greater number on their way to the metropolis to participate in the President's levee. Yesterday crowded churches were the order

On Saturday a large amount of real estate was offered at public auction, but few of the many desirable dwellings, &c., offered, found

On the evening of Redday, the second lecture of Dr. Baird was delivered at the Lyceum Thursday night, the ladies in charge of the Presbyterian Fair, closed their entertainment,

porary, and that the busy hum of industry will soon be heard throughout the extensive stablishment.

The County Court opens this morning its January term. W. H. Fowle, President; D. Cawood, W. H. Rogers, John Summers, and W. T. Harper, Esqs, justices, compose the

Court. The hiring ground is already the scene of much excitement. Negroes of every shade, and anxious inquirers for faithful servants,

GISELLE; occupy the whole available space in front of Catt's Hotel. The negroes seem far the hap-

piest of the crowd. To-night, the Hand-in-Hand Club celebrate him, after which he picked a quarrel with their anniversary by a cotillon party at their him, which resulted in a fight, during which hall. Hand in-hand soirces are never beaten.

Dickey stabbed Sinciair several times in each

> Metropolitan Mechanics' In-The Second Lecture of Prof. Espy before the Metropolitan Mechanics' Institute will be delivered on WEDNESDAY EVENING next, January 3, in the Institute Rooms, over Geo. and Thos. Parker's

Subject: "The cause of the fermation of clouds the cross current of air, and of Barometer fluctu-The public are respectfully invited. Lecture free

Lecture commences at 7% o'clock. By order : P. M. PEARSON, Rec. Sec. N. B .- Tickets entitling the holder to the benefit of the School of Design, and admission to the Exhi-bition can be obtained of the Financial Secretary during the evening.

Notice.—The sale of useful and fancy articles, held at St. Vincent's Orphan Asy um, will close TO-MORROW, (Tuesday.) Open at 10 o'clock, and close at half-past 8. The friends of the Orphan are invited to attend.

Montgomery Guards, Attention:
The regular monthly meeting of the Company will be held on WEDNESDAY EVENING.
N h 3d instant. All members are requested to be present, as business of importance will be transact ed. By order of Captain KEY: THOS. McENIRY, O. S. Union Guards Attention !- You

are hereby notified that a regular month! meeting will take place on TUESDAY, Jaque ary 2d. at 7 o'clock. Drill will be continued Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The members are likewise requested to ap pear in uniform on Friday evening. By order o Capt. O. Byrne : J. SHEA, Sec'y.

Smithsonian Institution Lec A Lecture will be delivered on TUESDAY EVE NING, January 2d, by Hon Geo. P. Marsh, lat United States Minister to Turkey. Subject: "Constantinople and the Bosphorus," Lecture commence at : % o'clock.

The Ladies' Fair, as an Assis tant to relieve St. Paul's Lutheran Church of its embarrassment, will be open at Odd Fellows Hall THIS EVENING.

TESTIMONIAL TO CAROLINE ROUSSET

WASHINGTON, January 1st, 1855. MLLE. CAROLINE ROUSSET-Mademoiselle: Hav ng heard that your engagement here was about t close, it is our wish to offer you a testimonial of ou admiration for your talent before your departure from this city.

suggest Thursday evening next as one of the best nights for such an occasion. Accept, Mademoiselle, our best wishes for you

W D Wallach. Jno T Towers. Thos J Fisher, S C Barney, Edw F Alexander. John L Smith, W B Chace, Lewis Carusi, Ch H Winder, E D Willard.

D N Caldwell, J D Hoover, J B Pleasants, Jne W Boteler Geo Keyworth, C W Flint, M R Birche, J W Forney.

WASHINGTON, January 2, 1855.

To Messrs. J. T. Towers, W. D. Wallach, &c. Gentlemen : I received, with feelings of gratitude your offers of a testimonial benefit, for my humbl efforts in contributing to your amusement. The of fer I accept with many thanks, and by permission of the manager, will fix Thursday evening next, th 4th January, for the BENEFIT NIGHT, on which occasion I will produce the Grand Ballet, in 3 acts of "Le Diable a Quatre," never produced in this city, with other entertainments.

Accept, Gentlemen, the best wishes for your wel are of Your obedient servant,

CAROLINE ROUSSET.

GRAND OPENING SOIREE AND EXHIBITION.

DROF. H. W. MUNDER respectfully announce to the public that his opening Soiree and Exhibition will take place at Mr. Farnham's Hall, corne Pa. avenue and Eleventh street, on TUESDA EVENING, January 9th, 1855, and continue over Wednesday evening throughout the season. No time or pains will be spared to make his So

ees the most select and agreeable of the season. The following Fancy Dances will be introduced n the course of the evening: La Fille du Savateur, by 3 misses La Smolenska, by a miss

La Cachuca, by 3 misses Scotch Pas Seul, by 3 misses Gavot de Vestres, by Mr. Munder. The well known regularity of his Soirees last sea on is a sufficient guarantee of a full attendance this year, and all those who have participated will look upon this opening with many bright anticipa tions, and the beginning of a "sure enough" Happy New Year. jan 2—dt9th

Germanian Bell Ringers AT ODD FELLOWS' HALL.

THE PEAK FAMILY. Vocalists and Bell Ringers,

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